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FOR AMBASSADOR JOVA FROM VANCE

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SUBJECT: MEXICAN MILITARY ROLE IN ERADICATION

1. WILLIAM JORDAN, CHIEF OF STAFF OF SENATE GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE, TOLD ME WHILE WE WERE BOTH VISITING LA PAZ THAT YOUR DEFENSE ATTACHE TOLD HIM THAT MEXICAN AIR FORCE WOULD LIKE TO BE GIVEN THE ROLE OF ERADICATING MEXICAN POPPY FIELDS. JORDAN INDICATED HE COULD NOT THEREFORE UNDERSTAND WHY WE WERE NOT ARRANGING FOR THIS TO OCCUR, THEREBY ALLEGEDLY SAVING MONIES ALLOTTED TO AIR TRANSPORT WING OF MEXICAN ATTORNEY GENERAL.

2. BELIEVE IT IMPORTANT TO CLARIFY THIS MATTER FOR JORDAN BEFORE SUBCOMMITTEE FOR WHICH HE WORKS MARKS UP THE NARCOTICS APPROPRIATION BILL.
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